

AGRICULTURE, ZONING AND EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 2, 2021 MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m..

Present: Jason Bunting, Gerald Earing, Scott Mennenga, Steven Lovell and John Slagel, Tim Shafer

Absent: Paul Ritter

Committee Chair Jason Bunting commented about the agenda for this March 2, 2021 meeting. Tim Shafer then moved, seconded by Steven Lovell that this agenda be approved as presented. This motion was approved by a voice vote of all ayes.

Committee Chair Jason Bunting then referred to the minutes of the February 11, 2021 committee meeting. Tim Shafer moved, seconded by Gerald Earing, that these meetings minutes be approved as presented. This motion was approved by a voice vote of all ayes.

Business:

Briefing on Solid Waste:

The assistant administrator presented a brief update on information relating to the Livingston and landfill. The presented information included details regarding the landfill wells as well as waste analyses from December, 2020 and January 2021.

Electronic Recycling Discussion:

Committee Chair Jason Bunting commented on the need to establish a date, time, and location for an electronic recycling drive. Bunting noted that it is Pontiac's turn to host the drive which led to discussion amongst committee members about potential locations to host the drive. Options were provided to the assistant zoning administrator to inquire upon.

The logistics of a proposed drive were also discussed in order to keep the operation of the drive running smoothly with the least amount of congestion as possible.

Emergency Operations Plan Update:

The assistant administrator presented an update to the committee members regarding the update of the County's emergency management plan. The assistant administrator noted that significant progress has been made towards having a plan ready to submit to IEMA and that he believed that a plan would be done in time for the March 15th deadline.

Other Issues to Come Before the Committee:

There was discussion among committee members regarding the status of operations in the county zoning office given the administrator’s extended absence. The assistant administrator related that day to day operations are running smoothly with some challenges.

Committee members also discussed the update of the County’s Comprehensive Plan. The delay of publication of the 2020 census statistics were noted as they relate to the update of the comprehensive plan. The assistant administrator stated that solar and wind energy language still needed to be added to the update and asked committee members for ideas on who to contact about acquiring language to incorporate into the plan. Options were discussed about resources to assist with incorporating the language.

Public Comment: None

Review and Approval of Bills: None

Adjournment:

Scott Mennenga moved, seconded by Steven Lovell, that this meeting be adjourned. This motion was approved by a voice vote of all eyes.

This meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Jesse J. King, Assistant Administrator
Livingston County Regional
Planning Commission